



Ministerial Credentials Board Annual Questionnaire and Essay (2018)

Part 1: Questionnaire

Name: _____

Date: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Church: _____

Pastor: _____

1. Do you know how to lead an individual to faith in Jesus Christ?
2. Do you know how to lead an individual into the experience of entire sanctification?
3. Do you faithfully practice storehouse tithing?
** Storehouse tithing is giving at least 10% of your income to God through the local church.*
4. How well do you practice a daily devotional life of Bible reading and prayer?
5. If you are married and/or have family living at home with you, how frequently do you pray with your family?
6. What would your level of confidence be if you were asked to:
 - Conduct a wedding?
 - Conduct a funeral?
 - Dedicate a child?
 - Conduct a baptismal service?
 - Serve communion?
 - Conduct a board meeting?
 - Visit a terminally ill individual?

7. The personal influence of the minister is important. Your own financial integrity is an important aspect of your influence in the community. Are you in arrears in the payment of any of your monthly/yearly bills?

Yes

No

a. If you answered yes, what is your plan to correct this challenge?

8. What area of ministry/potential ministry is most challenging for you?

9. What is your present ministerial assignment? Describe the ministry related activities you perform.

10. Name a ministry resource (book, magazine, blog, etc.) other than the Scriptures that has influenced you the most beneficially this year in ministry. Why has this resource been helpful?

11. Based on your current assignment in ministry answer the following question. If you are the lead pastor of a congregation answer the *lead pastor* question. If you are an associate pastor or do not currently have any kind of pastoral assignment answer the *staff* question.

Lead Pastor - Describe how you demonstrate personal loyalty to the Church of the Nazarene.

Staff - Describe how you demonstrate personal loyalty to your pastor.

Part 2: Essay

**Please limit your response to no more than 150 words for each essay question.*

12. Describe your conversion to the Christian faith. How did you come to accept Christ?

13. Recognizing that God's work in the world is larger than the Church of the Nazarene, why is it important to you to pursue credentials as a minister in the Church of the Nazarene?

14. Are you in full agreement with this statement from the *Manual*, “We believe in one God - The Father, Son and Holy Spirit.”?

Yes

No

Please describe what this statement from the *Manual* means to you.

15. Are you in full agreement with this statement from the *Manual*, “We believe that the finally impenitent are hopelessly and eternally lost”?

Yes

No

Please describe what this statement from the *Manual* means to you.

16. Are you in full agreement with this statement from the *Manual*, “We believe that the Holy Spirit bears witness to the new birth and to the entire sanctification of believers”?

Yes

No

Please describe what this statement from the *Manual* means to you.

17. Which specific Old and New Testament scriptures are important to you to explain the doctrine of entire sanctification? Why are those scriptures important to you?

Please return this form to the Virginia District Resource Center by one of the following methods:

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Midlothian, VA 23112.

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